GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:324
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JAWAHARLAL NEHUR AWARD FOR INTERNALTIONAL UNDERSTANDING
BIJOY KRISHNA HANDIQUE

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Jawaharlal Nehru Award for International Understanding has been held up by the Government;

(b) if so, since when; and (

(c) the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFARIS (SHRI YASHWANT SINHA)

(a) to (c) The Jawaharlal Nehru Award for International Understanding is a continuing award given for outstanding contribution to the promotion of International understanding goodwill and friendship among the peoples of the world. The selection for the award is made by an independent jury appointed by the Government of India comprising the Hon`ble Vice-President of India and the Hon`ble Chief Justice of India.

No award has been conferred since 1995. The matter is being reviewed administratively with a view to making this prestigious award regular.